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United States District Court **Southern District of Texas**

AO91 (Rev. 12/03) Criminal Complaint

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UNITED David J. Bradley, Clerk of Court Southern District Of Texas Brownsville Division UNITED STATES OF AMERICA **CRIMINAL COMPLAINT** VS. Case Number: B-19- M - 213 Antonio CORDOVA A213 286 429 United States I, the undersigned complainant state that the following is true and correct to the best of my Cameron knowledge and belief. On or about August 11, 2019 County, in the Southern District Of Texas defendant(s) knowingly, willfully, and in reckless disregard of the fact that one undocumented alien had entered the United States in violation of law and remained in the United States in violation of law, did transport and move said alien by means of a motor vehicle with intent to further their unlawful presence, in violation of Title United States Code, Section(s) 1324(a)(1)(A)(ii) I further state that I am a(n) **Border Patrol Agent** and that this complaint is based on the following facts: On August 11, 2019 at approximately 6:30 p.m., Border Patrol Agents were conducting checkpoint operations at the Highway 4 checkpoint in Brownsville, Texas when a silver in color Jeep Wrangler approached primary lane for inspection. Agents identified themselves and questioned the passengers as to their citizenship. The driver, identified as Antonio CORDOVA stated he was a citizen of the United States. A front passenger, later identified as William Osvaldo MEJIA-Veliz, was question as to his citizenship and his response was United States while avoiding eye contact with the agents. Agents then asked MEJIA where he was born. MEJIA replied "Brownsville, Texas" with a shaky voice. Due to the subject's behavior while being questioned, Agents instructed the driver to proceed into secondary for further investigation. Continued on the attached sheet and made a part of this complaint: X Yes ☐ No Signature of Complainant Quintanilla, Adalberto **Border Patrol Agent** Sworn to before me and signed in my presence, Printed Name of Complainant Brownsville, Texas August 13, 2019 Date

Ignacio Torteya III Name of Judge

U.S. Magistrate Judge

Title of Judge

City/State

Signature of Judge

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At secondary Agents asked MEJIA in the English language if he had any documentation to be in the United States legally. MEJIA was not able to understand the agent's question. The question was repeated in the Spanish language to which the subject replied he was from Guatemala with no documentation to be in the United States.

Both subjects were transported to the Fort Brown Border Patrol Station for further case development. After further investigation, sworn statement by the material witness and a photo lineup, it was determined that Antonio CORDOVA was the person transporting MEJIA into the United States.

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me on

13th (

day of

August, 2019

Signature of Ludicial Officer

Signature of Complainant

Border Patrol Agent